COMMERCIAL.

Alexandria Market, December 29. The market is very quiet, and in prices there is ing in, the holidays interrupting operations in the country. There were no sales reported on 'Change.

New York Market.

NEW YORK. Dec. 29 .- Cotton closed firm .-Sales of 1,000 bales. Flour closed firm; sales of Sales of 1,000 bales. Flour closed arm; sales of 9,500 bbls.; State \$5.20 @\$5.25; Ohio \$5.65 @\$5,75; Southern \$5.40 @\$5.75. Wheat closed firm; sales of 2,000 bush.; Southern white 150 @155c.; do. red 130c. Corn closed higher; sales of 36,000 bush.; white and yellow 85@89c. Pork closed dull; mess \$16.06@\$16.12; prime 11.62@\$11.75. Whiskey closed heavy at 26c. Sugar closed firm. Orleans 81 (484; Muscovado 7(47). Molasses closed firm at 52(a.55 cents. Spirits Turpentine heavy at 43@441 cents. Rosin closed dull at 1.60. Rice closed quiet at 31@41 cents. Stocks are quiet. Chicago and Rock Island 63; Va. 6's

Philadelphia Cattle Market, December 27. There were about 1,800 head of Beef Cattle sold at the different yards this week; the market, however, was dull, and prices fell off 50c, the 100 fbs., the holidays and the large quantity of poultry offering, limiting the demand for Beef Cattle. Of Hogs, the receipts and sales were about 7,000, at from \$6.50(a \$7.25 a 100 lbs. net, and 2 650 sold by Miller & Stallman, at the Avenue Yard, at the same prices.

About 7,500 Sheep were sold at from 8 to 81 ets. The returns of the Philadelphia Banks for the

last week, show the following changes compared with the previous week. Capital stock, decrease \$595; loans, increase \$137,524; specie, decrease \$56,471; due from other banks, decrease \$57,917; \$56.471; one from other banks, decrease \$27,017; due to other banks, increase \$96.285; deposits, de-crease \$122.990; circulation, decrease \$11.886. The condition of the New York city banks, for

the week ending last Saturday, as compared with the previous week, is as follows: Increase of Loans..... .\$1,073,798 764,872 Decrease of Specie Decrease of Circulation Decrease of Undrawn Deposits 8.256

Ngw York. Dec. 27 .- There were but few sales of State stocks, and these at a decline. The receipts from customs on Saturday were \$204,821; total in the Subtreasury \$6,132,218. The weekly Bank statement shows the follow-

ing result: Loans, \$124,958,512, an increase of \$1,054,955; specie \$19,630,797, a decrease of \$790,-042; circulation \$8,321,374, a decrease of \$71,652; nett deposites \$77,278,757, a decrease of \$7,718. ALMANAC. 1859

PECEMBER. rises. sets. Meo's PHASES. 30 Friday 7 21 4 39 30 Friday....... 7 20 4 40 First qr.. 1 5 42 m 1 Sunday....... 7 23 4 37 Full..... 8 10 14 m 2 Monday 7 23 4 37 Lastqr... 15 1 46 m 7 23 4 37 New.....22 7 3 E 4 Weduesday 7 22 4 38 HIGH WATER. 5 Taureday 7 22 4 38 DECEMBER 30, 10h. 42m

MABINE LIST. PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-DECEMBER 29. ARRIVED.

Steamship Mount Vernon, Smith, New York, to an affirmative answer. Steamer James Jerome, Jerome, Philadelphia. to Wm. H. Fowle & Son.

MENORANDA. Schr. Edward A. Dellart. Low, from George town, arrived at Portland, 23d inst.
Schrs. Triumph, Artis, hence at Boston 26th
inst., and R. L. Tay, Shepherd hence at do. 27th

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Comie Song, (original.).....Mr. Samuel Parker. To conclude with the LIMERICK BOY.

For full particulars, see bitls of the day. do. two Ladies \$1. SINGLE TICKETS:50e | Dress Circle

Doors open at 72-To commence at 72 A portion of the Gallery. (right hand side,)
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ply to [dec 30-eo3t] WM. GREGORY. HOME MADE CLOTUS AND CASSIMERES.

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REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

Senate, Thursday, December 29. The Senate was not in session to-day.

House of Representatives.

Mr. Morris, of Ill., resumed his remarks from yesterday, urging that Judge Douglas was the only Democrat who has triumphed in a general election; and he fought hand to hand with the cohorts under Lincoln, and the hungry pack of the President, cheered on by his Attorney General. The Democrats of Illinois have been pursued with hellish malignity-they have been removed from office, and Abolitionists have been put in

their places. Mr. Scott condemned the speech of the gentleman, saying that it, coming from a friend of Judge Douglas, would be quoted against the Democracy. He gave notice that he should, at a future time, reply to such part of the speech as refers to California; in the meantime, he characterized as infamously false the charge which had been frequently made, that there was a conspiracy against the late Senator Broderick.

Mr. Morris said he was not to be diverted from his position.

Messrs, Burch and Scott further explained the merits of the California election in connection with the Lecompton question.

Mr. Scott said that though he differed from Judge Douglas on the Territorial question, he would vote for him to defeat a Black Republican candidate for the Presidency.

Mr. Grow, of Penn., defined his position in the last Congress. He argued that the receipts of the Post Office were a portion of the revenue of the government, and that an amendment increasing the rates of postage. was a bill for raising revenue, and, therefore, under the Constitution, could originate legally only in the House of Representatives. He quoted various decisions of Circuit Courts, and the practice of the British Parliament, as sustaining this view. He adverted, with some temper, to the charge made by Mr. Branch, of N. C., that the object of that action was to force the President to call an extra session. The imputation of venal and mercenary motives was neither according to the usages of Parliament, nor of gentlemen.

Mr. Branch, of N. C., desired to know if the gentleman meant to impute ungentlemanly conduct to him.

Mr. Grow said that he would read the gentleman's own words. Mr. Branch.-Mr. Clerk, I demand to know of the gentleman whether he intends to impute to me conduct unbecoming a gen-

tleman! Mr. Grow replied that the gentleman had imputed unworthy motives to him, in his action relative to the Post-Office bill.

Mr. Branch reiterated his demand, and said that he should take a refusal to reply, as Mr. Grow .- The gentleman can take what

he pleases. My words were in plain Eng-Mr. Grow continued, quoting the Congressional Globe, to show that the defeat of the

Postal appropriation bill was owing to the action of Democratic Senators. He gloried in the position. Mr. Vallandigham, of Ohio, admired the rid himself of the responsibility which at-

cool assurance of Mr. Grow, in seeking to tached to him. To him justly attached all the blame for the bankruptcy that had followed it. That gentleman had asserted that the New York Herald furnished brains to the Democracy of the House. How easily might it be replied, that the New York Tribune furnished not only the brains, but the decency, for that side of the House, and that the gentleman from Pennsylvania had not received even his small share of it. | Laugh-

Mr. Pryor, of Va., said that if blame for the non-organization of the House upon a Constitutional basis, was imputed to the Democratic party, it was answered by the efforts of the past three weeks. If blamed for not uniting in an organization upon a sectional basis, they accepted it as a glory. He denied that the Democracy were responsible for bringing the slavery issue into this contest, unless the discoverer of an incendiary, who gave the alarm, was liable to a like imputation. The nomination of John Sherman was a provocative to the South that demanded resistance by every expedient, and to the last extremity. The Black Republican party no sooner found the South roused by the perception of their purposes, through the thin veil of sophistry that concealed them, than they, with whining policy, sought to lull the agitation by pacific protestations. But the South was not to be deceived. The purpose was as vain as the conduct was despicable. The Republicans, with their Pecksniffian proprieties, and Joseph Surface sentimentalities. could not lull the storm they had raised. The South understood it,-

"The Devil was sick, the Devit a saint would be He complimented Mr. Grow upon his candor, and said that if the jaws upon the other side of the House were unlocked, such a flood of flagitious sentiments would pour forth as would shock the country. He defended the South from the charge that she had violated her compromises, and had kept har promises with Punic faith. He was surprised at the charge of the complicity of the South with the Slave trade made by Mr. Grow, for he had seen he was man of intelligence, and presumed he was a man of honesty. He addressed himself to the territorial question, beautiful STEREOSCOPES, and a splendid assortment of the finest English and American an ambigous one, and that opposing opinions upon its construction might well be enter Territorial sovereignty should not be made a test of party fellowship. It would not do now, in the time of supreme danger, to paralyze our strength in the presence of the adversary. He had many words of fraternal feeling for the Northern Democracy, and never heard a Southern man attack these faithful and true men, than he was tempted to exclaim with the Roman, "run to your houses, fall upon your knees, and pray the gods to intermit this plague." He declared the North had violated the compromises of the Constitution. Alluding to the apology of Mr. Corwin for Mr. Seward's "speculative opinions," he said that such an apology placed Mr. Seward in the degrading position of a hypocrite. But Mr. Seward's action was already upon the record. When he was Governor of New York, and sworn to support the Constitution of the United States he had refused the constitutional demands the S. W. corner of Royal and Princess of Virginia. Even if he desired, he could not resist the storm he had raised, nor quench the conflagration he had kindled. He said that the South did not intend to dissolve the Union, but to maintain their rights

> and Bocock. Mr. Pryor refused to yield the floor longer, and recommenced his speech. Both Mr. Pryor and Mr. McKnight spoke a moment or two, and at the same time, and drowned Cioths, &c., and cleaning Kid Gloves, without two, and at the same time, and drowned each other's voice, while loud cries of order resounded from all portions of the hall.

When order was restored, Mr. McKnight said he understood that the

gentleman had yielded the floor. Mr. Payor. Only for a specific purpose, which has been violated. I cannot allow the will promptly settle their bits. gentleman to inject flagitious sentiments in- | dec 19

to my conservative speech. This is another instance of the violation of engagements on the part of Northern representatives on this

floor. (Applause.) Mr. Pryor continued his speech, and alluded to the love the South bore to the Union, and the sacrifices it had made to maintain it. With indignant eloquence he told those who had threatened to subjugate eight millions of men with eighteen millions, that eight millions of men bound together by a common tie of interest and affection, and stimulated by the highest motives that can ennoble action, could never be subdued. but would be more than able to cope with a miscellaneous mob of crazy fanatics and conscience-stricken traitors. (Loud applause.) At the last resort, enough would be left of the South to reorganize the confederacy upon a basis that would endure for ages, and renew with brighter illustration. Republican glories of antiquity. (Applause.) At the close of Mr. Pryor's speech, nearly

the entire Southern delegation crowded around him, and congratulated him on his brilliant and effective effort. A call of the House having been ordered

and made Mr. Maynard, of Tennessee, in a short speech, said that as he felt that the use of his name could not be effective towards organizing the House, he felt it his duty to ask the leave of the House to withdraw it from the contest. He did not dare appropriate the action of those who had voted for him as

far as to thank them for it. Mr. English, of Ind., nominated Mr. Scott, of Cal., who he said ought to satisfy

every national man in the House. The twenty-fourth trial for speaker was then proceeded with.

After the ballot, several gentlemen changed their votes and assigned their reasons. Mr. Vance, of N. C., said that he wanted to see the House organized, and though an American he had voted for a Lecompton Democrat, for an Anti-Lecompton Democrat, for an Administration Democrat and for a Demerat opposed to the Administration, and if olific party had any other variety, be hoped they would trot it out, and he would

vote for that. [Laughter.] The result was then announced as follows: whole number of votes, 210; necessary to a choice, 106; Mr. Sherman, 102; Mr. Scott,

83; Mr. Gilmer, 14; scattering, 11. At the conclusion of the ballot, and at 44 'clock, the House adjourned.

BY LAST NIGHT'S MAILS.

The Washington correspondent of the N. Y. Herald says: - "A treaty has been entered into between Great Britain and Honduras, by which all her pretensions to the Bay Islands, as well as the Mosquito protectorate, have been definitively abandoned, and fixing the boundary in accordance with amendments to the Dallas-Clarendon treaty agreed to by the Senate. Great Britain has assured our government that she has not and does not intend to enter into any treaty which will impair the rights of the United States under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty."

By the Granada we have news from Ilaana to the 23d instant, but not important. Sugars high, and little doing. The United States steamer Crusader was in port at Havana. The affair of the Wyandot, at Ciennegos, had been fully explained.

General Garibaldi was married on the 7th instant to the daughter of an Italian patriot named Raimondi. A complimentary supper is to be given to

Lieut. Gov. W. L. Jackson, in Richmond, on the 3d of January. MARRIED.

At Westminister, Maryland, on the 35th inst. by the Rey. Theodore Gallaudet, HENRY M SCON, of St. George, Bermuda, to JULIA H GALLAUDET, the second daughter of the officia ing minister,

On the 22d inst., in the Lutheran Church, by Rev. Mr. Baum, J. LUCIUS CROSS. Principal of the Virginia College, and Miss CATHARINE E., daughter of the late Godfrey Miller, all of Win

DIED.

In Washington, on Monday, 26th inst., of con-amption, HANNAH JONES, eldest daughter of Frances A. and A. Bradiey Waller.

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THIS HOTEL having been recently fitted up, is now for rent. It is situated on King, between Fayette and Payne streets, in the neigh borhood of the Orange and Alexandria and Manassas Gap Railroads. nov 28—d3t&cotf ROBERT G. VIOLETT. WANTED-At the Episcopal High School, a BOY 15 or 16 years old, accustomed to the

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and dairy maid: a WOMAN, good plain cook, washer and ironer: a GIRL, useful servant. Rose Hill, Fairfax County, Va., dec 13—dtJaul

leaving a stain, for sale by HENRY COOK & CO., Sarepta Hall.

N OTICE. - On the 1st of January, our accounts will be made out and real will be made out and ready for delivery at our desk - all that are not called for on that day will then be issued, and we hope all those indebted to S. 4 W. MEYENBERG.

LOCAL ITEMS.

ALEXANDRIA BUILT CARS -Mr. John Summers, of this city, has commenced at his present, Car Manufactory, on Royal street, the construction of a portion of the cars which he | Eastlack, Hallowell, Latham, Smoot, Jamieson, has contracted to build for the Alexandria Beach, and Burke. and Orange and the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire Railroad Companies. The ear in hand for the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, is forty-five feet long and nine feet broad, and is intended for use as a mail and baggage car. It will be built of the best materials, and will contain every new improvement to assist in assorting and distributing the way mails.

The other car in hand, is for the Alexandria, Loudoun and and Hampshire Railroad, and is to be divided into three sections. The first section is to be used for second class passengers, smoking, &c., and will be fitted up in excellent style, with seats of enameled cloth, pivoted back and front. The second, intended for baggage, will be adapted well for that purpose, and the third section, intended for the mail, will be furnished with all the latest conveniencies. These cars will be finished next month, and will be excellent additions to the rolling stock of the roads for which they are manufactured.

Mr. Summers has four cars under contract, two for each of the roads above named, and it is expected that a contract will be made in a few days with him for building three first class passenger cars to run on the merely complimentary to himself, even so Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire Railroad.

> QUARTERLY COURT. -The County Court of this County will open its January (Quarterly) term on Monday next. The following justices compose the Court according to the classification: Turner Dixon, Presiding Justice, John Summers, H. W. Feebry, H. L. Simpson and J. J. Wheat, ass ciates .-There are upon the docket of the Court twelve Commonwealth cases. These are for selling liquors without license, assault and battery, trespass, larceny and gaming. Most of them are old cases turned over from the last term of the Court.

> The civil side of the docket is much smaller than is usual, and comprises only sixty four issues, ten new cases and fourteen Of fice judgments. In consequence of the lightness of the docket it is expected that the term of the court will be quite short.

SNOW STORM .- The snow storm which commenced on Wednesday morning, after a short cessation, set in again yesterday about noon. The snow fell thick and fast all the afternoon, and the storm continued to the hour of putting our paper to press last night. The storm was quite severe, and last night interferred seriously with the navigation of the river, as well as overland travel. The steamer George Page did not make her mail trip, and the mails and passengers for the Orange and Alexandria Railroad were brought down over the Alexandria and Washington Turnpike. The snow upon the rads somewhat impeded the late trains upon the Alexandria and Washington Railroad, but the train made excellent time considering the slippery condition of the track.

ACCIDENT TO CAPT. MARYE.-We regret to hear that Capt. Morton Marye was considerably injured yesterday. In company with Mr. D. G. Meade, of this city, he was about to proceed on a hunting excursion, but when on the suburbs of the city, near Quaid's Market Garden, the horse upon which he rode stambled and fell. Captain Marye fell under the animal, and was so injured as to be unable to walk. A conveyance having been procured, the injured gentleman was brought to his residence in this city, when proper medical assistance was summon ed. We are glad to hear that, though as yet unable to leave his room, Capt. Maryo's con- ral invitation to every body and their friends, not dition is much improved.

CHILD BURNED .- On Tuesday afternoon, a little girl, about 6 years of age, daughter of James Windsor, a waterman, and residing with her parents on Union, near Wolfe street, was badly burned. It appears that the child was amusing herself by lighting straws at an open fire-place, when the flames caught to her dress and soon enveloped her. There was no one in the house at the time, and the child ran into the street, and thence into the house of a neighbor, before the flames were extinguished. One arm of the child was burned very badly, and many other portions of her body much scorelied Medical aid was procured for the little sufferer with all speed, but she yet lies in a critical condition.

ARRIVAL OF THE MOUNT VERNON,-The steamer Mount Vernon, Captain Smith, which sailed from New York on Saturday, arrived here vesterday about 2 o'clock, with a light freight. Messrs. T. A. Brugier and S. G. Busby came passengers. The steamer passed the Monticello bound out, near Maryand Point, in the Potomac, yesterday morning. The captain reports a quantity of ice in the river thirty miles down. The Mount Vernon will leave on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for New York.

SLEIGHING. -The snow storm night before last and yesterday, has given the whole country round about a wintry appearance, and afforded the lovers of that exhilerating sport -- sleigh-riding, an opportunity for the exercise of their favorite pastime. Some few sinighs ventured out yesterday afternoon, but the snow was too thin for good sleighing. This morning the snow will probably be deep enough to give the sport, "full swing,

RED MEN. - War Eagle Tribe, No. 22, I O. Red Men, on Wednesday night last elected the following officers for the ensuing six months: Joseph Bushby, Sachem; Alex. Baggett, S. Sagamore; Samuel Riston, J Sagamore; Albert Sisson, Keeper of Records; Wm. Allison, Keeper of Wampum; S. W. Aubinoe, Prophet: J. H. Riston, Stewart .-These officers will be installed on Wednesday night.

POSTPONED. - The Lecture of Mr. F. W Thomas was again postponed last night on account of the inclement weather. Mr. T. advertises that it will take place this even ing. In the outside of to-day's daily Gazette will be found two pieces of poetry by

THE SOUTHERN MAIL. - The mail boat Mt. Vernon with the Southern mail, from Aquia Creek, was decained by the ice in the river yesterday, and did not arrive here until about 5 o'clock, three hours behind her

CALL ACCEPTED. - Rev. T. G. Dashiell has

up Seventh street, &c. Two old and highly respected citizens have passed away recently. Alexander Lee, form-erly of Lynchburg, Va., but for nearly thirty years a resident of this city, and Mr. David Jewell, who was a soldier of the war of 1812.

ington, during the year 1859. The average | marriages per day is about two.

IN COMMON COUNCIL

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of Alexandria, held December 27th, 1859, there were

Lewis McKenzie, esq., President. Messrs, McVeigh, Kinzer, Richards, Markell,

The President laid before Council, from the Mayor, a letter from Reuben Johnston, with a copy of a bill which had been sent to the Delegate from his County, at Richmond, to be presented to the gislature, authorizing the County Court to sell the Court House and Lot; which was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on General

The Report of the Committee on General Laws. in relation to an application to be made to the Leg-islature for amendment to the 16th section of the City Charter, which had been recommitted by the Board of Aldermen to the Committee, was up, and the recommitment concurred in.
Mr. Latham offered the following, viz:

Ordered. That the Committee on Light be directed to remit the amount due by the several Fire Companies for the Gas used by them. Laid on the table.

A Report from the Committee on Claims was received through the Board of Aldermen, read, and, on motion, recommitted to the Committee, with instructions to report a separate order in each case. A communication from Lewis McKenzie, esq., delegate from this County to the General Assembly. was received through the Board of Aldermen, and the action of that Board, referring the subject to the Committee on General Laws, was concurred in. A message was received from the Board of Atrmen, with the following papers, which they had referred to the Committee on Claims, and asked

the concurrence of this Board, viz: The petition of F. A. Marbury, for the remis ion of a tax assessed to him as agent of the Albemarle Insurance Company, in 1855. The application of John Withers, for abatement

in his tax bill for 1859. The petition of Chris'r. Neale, for abatement in is tax bill for 1859. On motion, the action of the Board of Alderich in the several cases was concurred in.
The petition of R. J. Lackey, received through

the Board of Aldermen, was, on motion, laid on Mr. Kinzer offered the following order, which eas adopted:
Ordered, That the 3rd article of the Joint Rules

of the City Council be amended so as to read as follows:—"There shall be Standing Committees of two members from each Board; which com tees shall duly consider and report to the two Branches simultaneously upon the subjects refer-red to them by either Branch of the City Council." On motion, Council adjourned.

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ALEXASDRIA, December 22, 1859. TTHIS BANK will be closed to business on Monday next, the 26th instant; also on Monday, the 2d of January next. It is requested that al notes falling due on those days be paid on the preceding Saturdays.

dec 22-6t CHAS. R. HOOFF, Cashier.

OFFICE OF FARMERS' BANK OF VA. ALEXANDRIA, December 22, 1859.

INHIS BANK will be closed to business on Mon A day next, 26th instant, and on Monday the 2d January, 1860. It is requested that all notes falling due on those days be paid, and the offerings for discount be made on the preceding Satur days. W. H. MARBURY, Cashier. days. dec 22-6t

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION. ALEXANDRIA, December 22, 1859.]
THIS BANK will be closed to business on Monday next, the 26th instant; also on Monday. the 2d of January next. All persons having notes

coming due on those days will please attend to the payment of them on the preceding Saturdays. dec 22-6t P. E. HOFFMAN, Cashier. OST-On Sunday afternoon last, on Prince or Washington street, between the piscopal Church and the residence of Wm. B. Richards, Sr. a CAMEO BRACELET, large cameo set in the middle, and a small one on eithe The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at this office.

SPICES, &c. - Natinegs, Mace, Cloves, Cinna-D mon, Black Pepper, English Mustard, Saled Oil, French 'lelatine, Allspice, Ginger, Azumic. Super Carl So ia. Coxe's Sparkling Gelatine, &c., received and for sale by
HENRY COOK & CO.,

Serepta Hall B CNCH RAISINS in whole, half, and quarter bexes, Seedless Raisins, Currants, Citron, Preserved Ginger, Prones, Cranberries, Paper Shell and Soft Shell Almonds, Pure Sweet Cider,

received and for sale by 150 BBLS, FAMILY FLOUR 300 bbls. Superfine Flour, different brands, in store and for sale by dec 24 MARSHALL & CO.

SUMMERFIELD FITZHUGH ATTORNEY AT LAW, Brentsville, Prince William County, Va., Will practice in the Courts of Prince William, and the adjoining Counties.

Prince William County, Va., mh 26 -- enly

DRY COWS. Persons having DRY COWS D for sale, by leaving their names at Mr. Chatham's Stable, may meet with a purchaser. Rose Hill, Fairfax County, Va., dec 13-dtJan1 A PPLES. -25 bids. Rhode Island Greenings, in store and for sale by PENNYBACKER & PERKY BROS.

COUNTRY BACON, LARD, AND BUTTER. for sale by PENNYBACKER & PERRY BROS.

J. E. DOUGLASS. M INCE MEAT.—225 lbs., second supply of my own manufacture, and of very superior quality, for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS. quality, for sale by

BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

An Unconstitutional Law Vetoed Boston, Dec. 28 -- Gov. Banks to-day returned the revised code to the Legislature with his veto, objecting to the militia chapter, and laying before the Legislature the opinion of the State's Attorney and Supreme Court Judges, who decide that the striking out of the words "white citizens" in the old statutes is unconstitutional, as it conflicted with the Federal laws and Government, who alone have power to decide what persons are competent to enrolment in the militia. The veto was an able document of some length, and was sustained by the Legislature by a large vote.

Gov. Banks' Veto at Washington.

WASHINGTON, DEC. 29 .- The action of Gov. Banks in vetoing the bill of the Massachusetts legislature tolerating negro soldiers in the Militia, has caused great surprise among the Republicans here. Some indignation has been expressed, but the veto is generally hailed as the harbinger of a more conservative feeling at the North in regard to the rights of the South, and respect for the constitution and the federal laws.

Large Fire in New York. New York, Dec. 29 .- A large fire took

place on Beekman and Gold streets this occupied by what was formerly known as the morning. It originated in the Looking Glass Manufactory of Black, Crane & Co., on Beekman street which was destroyed, as weil as the warehouses of Duncan, West & Co., and Cyrus W. Field & Co .-- all paper dealers; H. R. Haydock, drug importer; known on the day of sale. Endicott & Co., lithographers, and Nason & Dodge, heating-apparatus manufacturers, H. Henkle, importer; J. O Smith, jajani er; J. Kisam, tinware manufacturer; Isaac Ayres, Globe Fire Works; George Wade, surgical instrument maker. Six buildings on Beekman street and four on Ann, were burnt down, and two fronting on Fulton, and running through to Ann street, were badly damaged in the rear. These latter are extensive warehouses, occupied respectively by Edward Black, importer of musical instruments, and Olcott, McKesson & Co., wholesale druggists. THE LATEST.

loss by the fire this forenoon, is \$80,000, and the insurance will probably cover it.

From Washington-Difficulty between Messrs. Branch and Grow, &c. Washington, Dec. 29 —Immediately upon

the conclusion of the session of the II suse of Representatives to-day, Hon, L. O'B. Branch, of North Carolina, demanded of Mr. Grow P. S. A more lasting NEW YEAR'S PRESENT in the customary manner, an explanation or withdrawal of the objectionable language used by him during the debate to-day. It is supposed that the matter will be amicably adjusted by the interposition of friends. Two out of the three judges of the Court

of Claims, Messrs, Blackford and Scarborough being sick, the Court adjourned to-day until pext week

Negro Riot in Missouri.

Sr. Louis, (Mo.) Dec. 29 .- On last night Hair, Shaving, Cloth and Hair Brushes, Shell, the citizens of Bolivar, in this state, were My hair is now its natural color, and much im Rubber, Buffalo, Ivory, and English Horn Combs. greatly alarmed by an attack from a gang proved in appearance every way, being glossier Albums, Annuals, Bibles, Prayer Books, the Poets, of negroes upon a party of whites, in the public square. The whites finally rallied and drove the negroes into the woods, where were kent at bay, threatening to burn the town before morning.

izens immediately appointed a vigilance com-Resolved, That hereafter we will deal largely with mittee, and a mounted company of armed men was despatched to scour the woods and hunt the negroes. Several negroes were

caught and severely dealt with.

Loss of the Steamship Grenada

N. Y. Dec. 29-The loss of the steamship Grenada from New Orleans, by being cut through by the ice in the North River night, is confirmed. It is said that her cargo, consisting chiefly of cotton, will be nearly a total loss. Everything below her deck is submerged.

Great Union Meeting at Troy

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 28 .- A large Union meeting is convened in this city this evening. General John E Wool presides, assisted by read from Hon, Edward Everett, Millard

Fillmore and others. Bank Defalcation.

Boston, Dec. 28, 1859. - The rumor current last week of a thirty thousand dollar defalcation by a bank employee, is now as serted to be true, and that influential and wealthy friends of the delinquent have suppressed the exp sure.

Murder by a Jealous Husband. Boston, Dec. 28, James Carroll was suspicion that Carroll was too intimate with any portion of the land for half the crop, reserv Daley's wife. The latter is under arrest for ing to himself all the improvements, and the part in grass; and the portion in grass can always be

Sauth Carolina Commissioner to Virginia. AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 29 .- C. G. Memminger has been appointed by the Governor of South Carolina a special commissioner to acres, near Aldie, Loudoun county. It is within half a mile of the Little River Turnpike, and a the State of Virginia. Mr. Memminger has signified his acceptance of the appointment.

Fire in St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 27 .- The Washington street brewery, with five adjoining build-

ings, was burned this morning. The amount of the loss is about \$8,000; and the insurance \$1.800. Fire at Detroit.

DETROIT, Dec. 28.—The building occupied

by Miller & Judd, grocers, in Woodward

avenue, was burned last night. The loss on

Fire at Portland.

troved four stores valued at \$6,000.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 27 .- Dates of the 19th have been received from Mexico. Miramon's government had protested against Mr.

scopes and Pictures, Pocket Knives, Scissors in

AUCTION SALES. SHERIFF'S SALE .- by virtue of a warrant of

D distress issued in favor of the Alexandria Canal Company, against James R. Wilson, I will offer for sale, by auction, ON THURSDAY, the FIFTH DAY or JANUARY, 1860, at noon, the following property, viz: SIX CA-NAL BOATS, now lying in and hear the dock of the said Wilson, on the Alexandria Canal, near the Potomac Aqueduct, with their furniture and equipment, the same having been seized and taken under the said warrant, to satis-

fy rent due the said company. Terms cash. Sale to take place at the said dock. dec 28-dts C. M CASTLEMAN, D. S VALUABLE SLAVES FOR SALE.—By vir tue of a decree of the County Court of Alex andria County, rendered in the suit of Birch's Ex ecutors against Birch, we the undersigned, will offer for sale at Samuel Catts' Tayern, West End, ON MONDAY, JANUARY SECOND, 1860, at 12 o'clock, M., the following likely SLAVES, to wit: Emanuel, Robert, Allen, Simon, and Elizabeth and her two children. The above slaves are very likely and valuable as farm hands, and can bring the best recommendations as honest, industrious, obedient servants. For further information, en-

quire of Henry Birch, No. 200, twentieth street, Washington, D. C.
RANDOLPH BIRCH, Executors of John HENRY BIRCH, j Birch, dec'd.

dec 28-dts* A LEXANDRIA REAL ESTATE FOR SALE A ON LONG CREDITS.—By virtue of a de-cretal order of the Circuit Court of Cabell County, rendered at the last August term, in the case of Sophia M. Peyton, against the heirs of Thomas Dundas, deceased, the undersigned, will, on the fourth Monday in Jonuary next, at the front door of the Court House of Alexandria County, Va., sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, all that LOT OF LAND, in the city of Alexandria, Washington Tavern, now known as the Washington Tarern, now known as the MARSHALL HOUSE, together with the Stable lot thereto belonging, with their appurtenances, on three equal credits of 12, 18, and 24 months, purchaser giving bond and security, and title re-

> HENRY J. SAMUELS, | Special JOHN LAIDLEY, Comm'rs.

dec 20 -d4w FOR SALE .- Three two story FRAME FOR SALE.—Three two story PRAS HOUSES, fronting on St. Asaph street, mediately south of the residence of F. L. Smith. esq. will be sold at public auction, on the 10th of January, at 12 o'clock, in front of the Mayor's Office. EDGAR E. HARPER,

or JESSE OWINGS. TITHE ONLY ARTICLE UNRIVALLED IN MARKET, WITH IMMENSE HOME AND EUROPEAN DEMAND .- The reason why, is that by Nature's own process it restores the natu ral color permanently after the bair becomes gray, N. Y. Dec. 29th. P. M.-The estimated supplies the natural fluids, and thus makes it grow on baid heads, removes all dandruff, itching, and heat from the scalp, quiets and tones up the nerves. and thus cures all nervous headache, and may b relied upon to cure all diseases of the scalp and hair; it will stop and keep it from falling off; makes it soft, glossy, healthy and beautiful, and if used by the young two or three times a week, it will never fall or become gray; then reader, read the

following and judge for yourselves: New York, Jan. 8, 1858. - Messes, O. J. Woor & Co., Gendemen: Having heard a great deal about Prof. WOOD'S HAIR RESTORATIVE, and my hair being quite gray, I made up my mind to lay aside the prejudices which I, in common with a great many persons, had against all manner of patent medicines, and a short time ago I com-menced using your article, to test it for myself.

The result has been so very satisfactory that I am very glad I did so, and in justice to you, as well as for the encouragement of others who may be as grey as I was, but who having my prejudice Chief Justice Taney and Justice Daniels without my reasons for setting it aside, are unwil-are absent from the Supreme Court bench, ling to give your RESTORATIVE a trial till they have further proof, and the best proof being occu-lar demonstration, I write you this letter, which you may show to any such, and also direct them to me for further proof, who am in and out of the New York Wire Railing Establishment every day.

and thicker and much more healthy looking. I am, yours, respectfully. HENRY JENKINS. Cor. Columbia and Carroll sts., Brooklyn. LIVINGSTON, ALA., Feb. 14, 1858.—Pror. Wood Dear Sir: Your HAIR RESTORATIVE has done much good in this part of the country. My hair Several of the negroes were subsequently has been slightly diminishing for several years, captured and committed to prison. The cit- caused, Is appose, from a slight burn when I was quite an infant. I have been using your HAIR RESTORATIVE, for six weeks, and I find that I have a fine head of hair now growing, after having used all other remedies known, to no effect. think it the most valuable remedy now extant, and advise all who are afflicted that way to use your

The citizens of the vicinity anticipated more trouble, but at the latest accounts the excitement had somewhat subsided.

Loss of the Steamship Grenada the back part of my head almost lost its cover ing-was in fact baid. I have used but two half pint bottles of your RESTORATIVE, and now the top of my head is well studded with a promising crop of young bair, and the front is also receiving its benefit I have tried other preparations with out any benefit whatever. I think from my own personal recommendation, I can induce many oth

ers to try it. Yours, respectfully,
D. R. THOMAS, M. D., No. 464, Vine st. The RESTORATIVE is put up in bottles of three sizes, viz: large, medium, and small; the small holds a pint, and retails for one dollar per bottle; the medium holds at least twenty per cent. more in proportion than the small, retails for two a number of our oldest and most respectable dollars perbottle; the large holds a quart, 40 per citizens as Vice Presidents. Letters were cent more in proportion, and retails for \$3.

read from Hon. Edward Everett, Millard Broadway, N. Y., (in the great N. Y. Wire Rail-

ing Establishment,) and 114 Market Street, St.

Louis, Mo. And sold by all good Druggists and

Fancy Goods Dealers.

VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE. - Desiring to V curtail my farming operations, I offer for sale the following TRACTS OF LAND-No. 1. BEN VENUE (known as the Glasscock Farm.) containing 3364 acres of the best quality of Upper Fauquier land. The improvements consist of a brick DWELLING, beautifully situated, with eight rooms, four of them 19 or 20 feet square, a stone kitchen, servants houses, &c., &c. There is an abundance of wood and water -- most killed in East Boston last evening by James of the fencing is of stone. The land is in a high Daley, in a quarrel originating in a jealous state of improvement. A purchaser can rent out

> rented out for pastures. Ben Venue adjoins my "Grassland" farm, upon which I reside, and a about three and a half miles from Rectortown Sta tion, on the Manassas Gap Railroad. No. 2. CAMANCHE, containing about 300 quarter of a mile from a Depot on the contemplat ed Loudoun Branch Railroad. Nearly the whole of it is well set in grass, a portion a very old bine grass sod. It is well watered. There is on it a small HOUSE with two rooms.

No. 3. A TIMBER LOT containing about 80 acres, within a quarter of a mile of said Depot.
No. 4. TECUMSEH, part in Loudonn and part in Prince William, containing about 542 acres of red free stone, except about 60 acres. Nearly all the cleared land is well set in grass. It is well watered, Bull Run passing through the farm. There are about 150 acres of Bull Run bottom

There is on it a good two story HOUSE, 32 There is on it a good two story HOUSE, 32 feet square, of Red Free Stone, and a good Overseer's house. The other improvements are the building and goods amounts to \$18,000, common. There is a good orchard. It is within and was insured for \$9,000. Alexandria, and six from Gainesville Station on the Manassas Gap Railroad. It will be within three miles of the Sudley Depot on the indepen dent line of said Railroad N. B. My son, C. B. Tebbs, jr., has a tract of

9264 acres, adjoining Tecumseh, and the lands of Latham and others, which he will sell upon very reasonable terms. It is of the best quality of red free stone land; about half is in timber and good wood, and nearly all the cleared land well set in

grass. There is upon it a small HOUSE, with three rooms.

No. 5. A TRACT OF LAND containing about 289 acres in Prince William county, on the waters of Neabsec, adjoining the lands of D. Wroe and others, about 5 or 6 miles from Occoquan. It is all in wood, some of it very good timber, of origioal growth. There is a saw mill adjoining this My terms will be accommodating; a portion

T. Holton, Baltimore, Md.; C. B. Tebbs, jr., Watrenton, Va.; and Daniel F. Hooe, esq., Alexandria, Va. My Post Office is Middleburg, Loudoun county, Va. [dec 17—colun] SAM'L. J. TEBBS. VIEW CROP SUGAR .- Choice new crop New

Monticello, from New York, and for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS,

CHOPPING AXES.—Just received a supply of first quality Chopping Axes from 31 to 7 hs., resigned the charge of Cople (Episcopal) Parish, in Westmoreland County, and necepfor sale by the box of singly, dee 29 JOHN T. CREIGHTON. in it. In that contest they would have the ted a call to St. James' Church, Richmond, aid of millions of good and true men of the EASTPORT, BOSTON, AND HALIFAN HER-by WM. H. FOWLE & SON, ld and prominent citizen of this place, and SERVANTS FOR HIRE.—I have for hire, a number of SERVANTS, of different ages and as assistant minister. Consul to the Sandwich Islands under Polk's North. (Applause.) Mr. McKnight, of Pennsylvania, said that administration, died in this city last night. sexes. Apply at my residence, on the Washing-Mr. Seward was not the author of the "irre-WASHINGTON ITEMS .- A large number of No. 4 South Wharves. the most prominent citizens of Washington, pressible conflict" doctrine. He read a ton Road, near town.
dec 20-ec322 THOMAS W. SWANN. News from Mexico. BARBELS R. L. & A. STUART'S STEAM D. C. have petitioned the United States Senmanifesto, published in 1849, and signed SERVANT WANTED.—A good Cook, Washer, and Ironer, for the ensuing year. dec 29-31 R. JOHNSTON. are, asking to be incorporated into a company REFINED GOLDEN SYRUP, received this among others by Messrs, Hunter, Mason, day per steamer Monticello, and for sale by for the construction of the long-talked-of dec 29-31 Pennsylvania avenue railroad, with a branch

> YOVA SCOTIA POTATOES .- 50 barrels of very superior quality, for families, for sale cases, &c., just received at | dec 25 | W.M. H. POWLE & SON, | dec 20 | C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King-st. Nine hundred and twenty marriage licenses have been issued at the click's office in Washevery quality and style, just acceived and for sale

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 28 .- A fire on Market square, in this place, this morning, des-Oswego, N. Y., Dec. 28 - John Turrill, an

McLane's treaty. WORK BOXES, Writing Desks, Cabas, Chess
Men. Backgammon and Checker Boards,

References: Messrs, G. M. Bastable and Edward Portable Writing Dosks, Dressing Cases, Steared

heavy Country Knit YARN SOCKS, which ASHBY & WOOD'S. | dec 29

LARKIN & BRO. | dec 29